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Title: Method of Preparing Polymer)
Particles Having Narrow Particle)
Size Distribution)

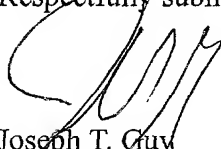
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

The following amendments are submitted at filing. Please amend the claims in accordance with the directions in Appendix A prior to calculating the filing fee. Unmarked claims as amended are provided in Appendix B.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX A -Claim Amendments

Please amend claim 9 in accordance with the following instructions:

9.(Amended) Monodisperse polymer particles, prepared according to the method of claim 1 [claim].

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APPENDIX B - Unmarked Claims as Amended

9. Monodisperse polymer particles, prepared according to the method of claim 1.

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